BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2000-0191-T - ORDER NO. 2000-650

AUGUST 9, 2000

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IN RE:	Application of South Carolina Tariff Bureau,)	ORDER APPROVING *	
	Inc., Post Office Box 170082, Spartanburg,)	INCREASE IN RATES	
	SC 29301, to Increase and Modify its Rates)	AND CHARGES	
	and charges Listed in Tariff No. 2.)		

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Application of the South Carolina Tariff Bureau, Inc. (the Bureau) to increase and modify its rates and charges listed in Tariff No. 2 as follows:

Item 110-Packing and Unpacking

15% Increase

All Other Tariff Items

10% Increase

Pursuant to the instructions of the Commission's Executive Director, the Bureau published a Notice of Filing in newspapers of general circulation throughout the State of South Carolina, and furnished affidavits of publication accordingly. No Protests or Petitions to Intervene were received. For purposes of this increase request, four sample carriers were analyzed in terms of the proposed increases: Boineau's Moving & Storage, Inc. (Boineau's), Carey Moving & Storage, Inc. (Carey), Dale J. Cook Moving & Storage, Inc. (Cook), and Smith Dray Line & Storage Company, Inc. (Smith). At present, 69 household goods movers participate in this tariff.

The proposed increase would afford varying amounts of additional revenue, depending upon the amount of intrastate and local traffic each company transports. With the proposed increase, the sample carriers' operating ratios decrease as follows:

	As Adjusted	After Increase
Boineau's	95.23%	93.67%
Carey	93.26%	91.28%
Cook	100.02%	97.33%
Smith	95.32%	94.72%

We have examined the entire record in this case, including all data submitted by the sample companies and the Commission Staff, and we have determined that the proposed increases are just and reasonable, and should be approved as filed. It appears that the resultant operating ratios for the sample companies after the proposed increases are very reasonable, and allow the sample moving companies a modest profit. The Bureau's proposed increases are therefore approved and are hereby made effective on **August 21, 2000**.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

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ATTEST:

Mary E. Wolsh
Executive Director

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